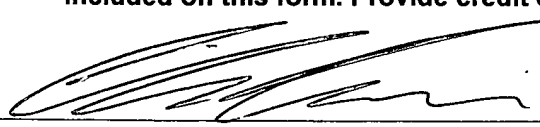
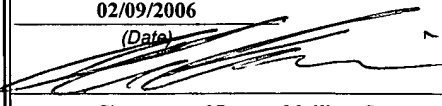


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)				Docket No. 5223-103 US	
In Re Application Of: TJART ANDRIES DU PLESSIS					
Application No. 10/686,779	Filing Date 10/17/2003	Examiner Susan W. Berman	Customer No. 26817	Group Art Unit 1711	Confirmation No. 7739
Invention: RADIATION TREATED ETHYLENE POLYMERS AND ARTICLES MADE FROM SAID POLYMERS					
<u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>09/19/2005</u> above-identified application. <i>Date</i>					
The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):					
<input type="checkbox"/> One month <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months <input type="checkbox"/> Three months <input type="checkbox"/> Four months <input type="checkbox"/> Five months					
from: <u>12/19/2005</u>		until: <u>2/19/2006</u>			
<i>Date</i>		<i>Date</i>			
The fee for the extension of time is \$450 and is to be paid as follows:					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-2165					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 13-2165					
<input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.					
WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.					
 <i>Signature</i>			Dated: February 9, 2006		
Christopher S. Casieri Reg. No. 50,919 Mathews, Shepherd, McKay & Bruneau, P.A. 100 Thanet Circle, Suite 306 Princeton, NJ 08540 Phone: 609-924-8555 Fax: 609-924-3036			<div style="font-size: small;">I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" [37 CFR 1.8(a)] on <u>02/09/2006</u> <i>(Date)</i></div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence Christopher S. Casieri Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</div>		
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